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Thank you for your letter of June 13 in which you volunteered information on Soviet ship landings in Cuba, a subject of continuing interest to this Agency. Although we cannot confirm your report that Soviet vessels are presently off loading 1,200 people a month in Havana, it is known that Soviet and Eastern European passenger vessels routinely carry tourists, technicians, and returning Cuban and foreign students to Cuba. Also, in July 1978 Cuba will host a World Youth Festival which is expected to draw several thousand visitors, many of whom will arrive by ship.

We are interested in obtaining further details on this information and an Agency representative will soon call on you to discuss it.

Thank you for your interest and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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